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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

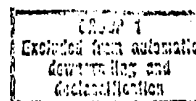
SUBJECT: Meeting with Executive Director-Comptroller on
25 February 1970

1. Present were:



2. [] gave a status report on problem areas in Agency ADP as noted by the Information Processing Board after some three months of its existence. While there are no urgently critical problems to be dealt with immediately, there are a number that loom on the horizon. The Board intends to deal with these to the extent possible. These problems include: growth of installation of remote terminal devices; wide-ranging plans for up-grading of equipment in ADP components; the difficulty in determining the appropriate degree of security to be applied to ADP; the need to adopt a more positive, constructive role in Community arrangements; the need to develop free-flowing dialogue between ADP components and OCS in order to obtain maximum expert advice and counsel; identification of special resource needs as we identify areas requiring special kinds of competence; and the need to develop a good, solid ADP plan to show trends in uses and costs and develop goals and objectives as well. Future problems will take the Board into such matters as automatic dissemination; storage capacity; relating ADP and information handling technology to our stations abroad; and recruitment, training and career service arrangements for ADPers.

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3. The Executive Director noted the importance of maintaining a "tactful" and constructive attitude with regard to Community arrangements, particularly in order to avoid making the Director vulnerable to criticism. The DD/S&T thought the Agency had every right to claim expertise and leadership in regard to its use of ADP and thought the time had come for us to make special arrangements and use the very best representatives to get this story told to our critics, particularly in the PFIAB. The DD/P observed that it seemed bad practice not to use those directly involved in the ADP job to tell this story. [] indicated that he would take this up with the Director.

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4. [] urged the Deputies to see to it that their representatives on the IP Board are not parochial and wear an Agency hat when considering matters of moment. Referring to up-grading plans, [] said he must look at all significant up-grading intentions even if approved budgets contain sums for this purpose.

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5. The DD/S&T said he thought the Director was not sufficiently aware of the extent to which the support he gets from all Directorates ultimately rests upon the availability of ADP. [] suggested that all in attendance find ways to let the Director know that this is the case.

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